

MOST UP-TO-THE-MINUTE WEEKLY IN LANCASTER COUNTY

# The Mount Joy Bulletin

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\$2.00 a Year in Advance

## Mortuary Record Throughout This Entire Locality

Mrs. Minnie M. Pidecock at Marietta.

Amos F. Reese, seventy-one, at Columbia.

Monroe H. Metzler, seventy-two, at Manheim.

Joseph Greenburg, sixty-four, at Elizabethtown.

Mrs. Katie E. Wetzel, seventy-five, at Columbia.

Mrs. Carrie E. Finney, eighty-three, at Columbia.

Mrs. Mary Kaylor Smith, eighty-five, at Columbia Sunday.

Francis D. Behm, seventy-three, near Cornwall. He was born near Mount Joy.

Mrs. Lizzie S. Risser, seventy, was found dead on her side porch at Elizabethtown.

Maria, widow of Daniel S. Nissley, at the Messiah Home at Harrisburg. She was eighty-six and a member of the Old Order River Brethren church.

## Man Is Injured When Car Crashes Rear Of Truck

Mt. Joy truck driver was injured seriously Thursday morning when he crashed into the rear of a tractor-trailer truck on the new Harrisburg Pike near the Landisville railroad crossing.

The injured man, Elmer Oliver, thirty-three, Mt. Joy R1, suffered a fractured skull and fractured left arm, according to State Policeman A. W. Polonic.

He was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital in a hospital ambulance. His condition was described as serious.

Oliver was traveling west on the highway behind a tractor-trailer driven in the same direction by William V. Johnson, twenty-four, Hartford, N. J., when he struck the rear of Johnson's truck, the State Policeman reported.

Polonic said Johnson told him he was going about 30 miles per hour when he heard a crash and a horn blowing. The horn in Oliver's car was short-circuited in the crash and a small fire flared up. Johnson put out the fire with his extinguisher.

The State Policeman said Oliver had just left the Hubbard Chick Farm, Manheim Pike, where he had been working all night. It is believed Oliver fell asleep at the wheel. Polonic said, because there were no skid marks.

Oliver was pinned inside the cab when the front of his truck caved in.

## Burgess Zerphey Temporarily Halted Collections

As most of you are aware, pressure was put on delinquent tax payers here during the past few weeks. After numerous complaints from residents, Burgess Elmer Zerphey issued the following order Friday:

**Attention Tax Payers**

I have ordered the tax collector to stop any further levies and to stay the levies already made until further notice.

Elmer L. Zerphey, Burgess collector of the green light after questions raised by complainants were erased by representatives of the School Board and Borough Council when they announced their approval of Russell Jacoby, West Chester, or any of his co-workers in conducting the project as well as their satisfaction in the collector's verbal statement that he has letters of approval from a surety.

## Driver Charged With Manslaughter In Womer Death

A charge of involuntary manslaughter has been brought against the driver of a pick-up truck in which Ralph E. Womer, thirty-eight, Salunga, was fatally injured last Wednesday, District Attorney John M. Ranck said Thursday night.

The charge was brought against Roy L. Sumpman, twenty-six, 130 N. Eighth St., Columbia, who worked of Womer at the Cooper garage, Salunga, by State Policeman George H. Spotts.

The warrant, sworn out before Justice of the Peace George Schenk, Landisville, has not been served. Spotts said, as Sumpman is still confined at Lancaster General Hospital with injuries suffered when the light truck struck two utility poles on the old Harrisburg pike, throwing both men out.

A hospital source termed Sumpman's condition satisfactory Thursday night. He suffered head and chest injuries in the crash.

REV. C. I. SUMMY RESIGNS AS CALVARY CHURCH PASTOR

On Sunday evening the Rev. C. I. Summy announced his resignation as the Pastor of the Calvary Bible Church to become effective as of January 1, 1951. Mr. Summy has not made known his plans for the immediate future.

DEEDS RECORDED

Ralph C. and Fern S. Alleman, Mt. Joy, to Charles F. and Verna V. Stark, Maytown, premises and stable, 47 W. Donegal St., Mt. Joy, \$4,200.

## Farmers Bank In Mount Joy Printed \$1, \$5, \$20 Bills—But That Was Eighty-Six Yrs. Ago

A recent report out of Harrisburg concerning a local bank is certainly getting wide publicity throughout the country and has resulted in more than one argument. Here's the article:

A search of ancient Commonwealth records has unearthed a collection of engraving plates which the state used years ago to print its own money.

Auditor General Weldon C. Heyburn said the plates were found during a restoration project of dusty files buried deep in vaults under the State Capitol.

Most of the engraving plates are for \$5 and \$20 bills, with five notes on each plate.

Ordinarily it was the custom to deface the surface of the plate when it was turned in. Heyburn said, but added these plates were in perfect condition. Issuing banks were the Petroleum Bank, of Tiusville, the Millfin County Bank, and the Farmers' Bank of Mount Joy, among others.

Most of the plates are dated 1863 and 1864.

**Farmers Bank Denied**

In a letter from one of our subscribers Mrs. Mame S. Cooper, of Karns City, Pa., she writes: "I do not recall ever hearing of the town having a Farmers Bank, etc."

**An Explanation**

Upon the receipt of Mrs. Cooper's letter we contacted the bank here and Mr. Reuben Fellenbaum took the time and trouble to bring the data to this office for our inspection.

He had the original charter granted to the Farmers Bank of Mount Joy by the state on August 20, 1862. He also had the list of men and their addresses, fifteen to be exact, from East and West Hempfield, Penn., East Donegal, Rapho and Mount Joy townships and Mount Joy and Manheim Boro.

These men were the stock holders. The bank was chartered for \$100,000 divided into 100 shares of \$1,000 each.

The RHEEMS WATER CO. EXTENDED ITS MAINS

Rheems Water Company has extended its water main on old Route 230 east, ending at a point near the Aaron Longenecker Planning Mill. Pipe was furnished by the Central Foundry Company, of Holt, Alabama. Two carloads were shipped by rail.

To speed up the job, H. S. Foreman sent his 28-foot tractor trailer truck to Alabama, a distance of 1000 miles, to bring in another 1050 feet to complete the present job.

The work was under the supervision of H. K. Landis, who reports that twelve new connections have already been added.

**TRUSTEE IN LUTHER SMITH BANKRUPTCY IS NAMED**

Attorney J. Hay Brown, Jr., was elected trustee in the bankruptcy of Luther J. Smith, trading as Stauffer's Quarry, Mt. Joy R2, at the first meeting of creditors held at Lancaster last week.

Russell L. Hiller, Reading, bankruptcy referee, announced that the last day to file objections to discharge is January 31, 1951, and last day to file claims is June 13, 1951. Schedules filed show debts totaling \$33,141.94 and assets of \$26,228.66. Assets listed include \$20,000 valuation on the 12.48 acre quarry property in Repho Township.

**MANY RENTS WILL BE HIKED 15 PERCENT**

Rents upon many homes here, will be hiked up 15 percent, judging from the applications already received by the Lancaster Area Rent Office, it was learned this week.

At the Lancaster office regulating local rents it was learned that the 15 percent increase in rents is the first jump allowed since June 30, 1947 and is specifically granted to small landlords those owning four or less homes.

**Week's Birth Record**

Mr. and Mrs. Allen B. Dourte, Manheim R2, a son at the General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Kreider, Manheim R2, a daughter Friday at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hoffman, Mt. Joy R2, a daughter Wednesday at the General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. David L. Prosser of Landisville, a daughter Saturday at the Lancaster General Hospital.

**TRUCKER KILLED A COW ON THE MARIETTA PIKE**

Edward G. Bates, thirty, Lancaster, was unhurt when the truck he was operating struck and killed a Holstein cow, owned by Edward Niedigh, Marietta, on the Marietta Pike early Friday morning. The animal was valued at \$250.

**ALL AUTO PRICES FROZEN**

President Truman on Saturday froze prices of all new automobiles as of December 1st.

## 36 HELP COUNTY FARMER CLEAN UP FIRE RUBBLE

Thirty-six neighbors and friends of Miles O. Nolt, Sporting Hill, Manheim R1, gathered at his farm last week to help clean up rubble caused when a chicken house was destroyed by fire.

They included: Raymond Eshleman, Lester Gehman, Aaron Weaver, Benjamin Nissley, David Sangrey, Jonas Byler, Lester O. Nolt, John Miller, Melvin O. Nolt, David Nolt, Paul Nolt, Clayton H. Nolt, Henry Shenk, Norman Shenk, Robert M. Sauder, Norman Keady, John Metzler, Richard Heisey, Eugene Hummer.

John Shelly, Maurice Nissley, J. Abram Witmer, David S. Nissley, Clayton R. Nissley, Henry S. Miller, Wilmer Nissley, Earl Hummer, David Miller, John S. Miller, Marlin Shellenberger, Richard Witman, Richard Charles, Ross Esbenhade, J. Stanley Witmer, Eli Eby and William Hummer.

**Brief News From The Dailies For Quick Reading**

Haircuts, even childrens, were raised to \$1.25 at McKeesport, Pa. Last Thursday beef steak retailed at from \$1.10 to \$1.20 a pound in New York City.

Hitch hikers and horse drawn vehicles have been banned from the state's super highway.

To date 13 doctors, 1 dentist and veterinarian in the county have been called for pre-induction physicals.

Three persons were killed, the first fatality on the super highway extension, at Morgantown. A car with five passengers ran into an abutment.

William E. Cooper, thirty-nine, Lancaster R7, riding a motorcycle was killed and his wife, riding tandem, sustained a broken neck in an accident Sunday.

500 frozen turkeys were scattered all over the highway near Mountville when a truck upset.

A York man was killed on the Lincoln Highway west of that city Sunday. His car spun out of control.

**Ab'm Martin Died From Injuries In Auto Accident**

Abram H. Martin, sixty-six year old retired farmer of East Donegal township, died from injuries sustained in an automobile crash, complete details of which appeared in last week's Bulletin. His death occurred at the Lancaster General Hospital at 8:50 p.m. last Thursday.

It was the second fatality on the new stretch of highway since it was opened in September of last year. Both fatal crashes occurred at the same intersection. The first victim was William Beamesderfer, of this borough, a passenger involved in another two-car crash. This is the 44th highway fatality in the county this year, just three more than at the same time last year.

Mr. Martin was born in West Donegal Twp., the son of the late Secretary David Sweigart gave the reading of the minutes and Kenneth Kreider, treasurer, gave the financial report. The group then approved a motion to attend an ice hockey game at the Hershey Arena, January 6, 1951. Robert Sweppe reported that efforts were being made by the club to purchase a pure-

**Witness Oak FFA Chapter Held Its December Meeting**

The Witness Oak FFA Chapter held its regular monthly meeting at the East Donegal High School last Wednesday evening. The meeting was opened with the reading of the Bible by Samuel Brubaker, who acted in the absence of Chaplain, Ray Musser. Acting in the absence of the president, Harold Musser Vice-president, opened the meeting for business for the twenty-nine members present.

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**LOCAL GIRL SCOUT TROOP FETED A BLIND CRIPPLE**

Intermediate Girl Scout Troop 192 held a Christmas party at the home of Rachel Klugh, Miss Joanne Hess an eleven-year-old blind and crippled girl, was the guest of honor.

The scouts entertained with music, games and refreshments. Joanne then entertained the girls with her accordion and keymonica. Mrs. Jay Barnhart is leader of the group.

**19 EAST DONEGAL SENIORS VISIT ETOWN COLLEGE**

A group of nineteen senior girls were the guests of the Elizabethtown College, Thursday afternoon, December 14. They were accompanied by Miss Justine Lawver senior class advisor. Following a tour of the buildings a talk was given to the girls by college officials after which a tea was served.

**REAL ESTATE SALES**

William B. Saylor purchased the Robert Reichard farm of 118 acres located near Risser's church.

Clarence H. Moyer purchased the William B. Saylor farm consisting of 32 acres and located 1 1/2 miles northwest of Manheim. The price paid was \$15,000.

## CANTATA BY CHOIR OF UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH

The Christmas Cantata, "The Manger Prince", written by Louise E. Stairs, will be presented by the Choir of St. Mark's Evangelical United Brethren Church, on Sunday afternoon, December 24, at 4:00 p.m. Mr. Clifford Schmid, Lancaster, is the director. Miss Luella Witmer, organist, will be the accompanist. Soloists include Warren H. Bentzel, Mrs. Warren Bentzel, Bonnie Bigler, Jack Boyer, Mrs. Clifford Schmid, Henry Weber and Thelma Sherck. A cordial invitation to attend is extended to members and friends of the church.

Following the presentation, the members of the Choir will be entertained by members of the Ladies Aid Society at a luncheon in the social rooms of the church.

**Sgt. C. Hallgren Chosen "Airman Of The Week"**

Sgt. Charles Hallgren, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ragner Hallgren, Marietta Ave., has been chosen "Airman of the Week at Iwakuni, Japan, where he is ammunition handler with the 6133 Supply Squadron, U. S. A. F.

Hallgren was chosen for this distinction because of his excellent character and unswerving devotion to duty.

Following basic training at San Antonio, Texas, he attended Engineering Operator's School at Ft. Francis S. Warren at Cheyenne, Wyoming. He graduated in the top of his class and was assigned to the 34th Communications Squadron in New York.

Shortly after the Korean conflict (Turn to page 7)

**FOLKS INJURED ON WAY TO VISIT RELATIVES HERE**

Mr. and Mrs. Habet Khelghatlian, of Chester, on their way to visit relatives here on Friday, figured in an auto collision east of Lancaster. The collision occurred when Mr. Khelghatlian fell asleep at the wheel.

His 7-year-old daughter sustained a fractured skull, her father a fractured left leg and her mother lacerations of the face.

Both cars were damaged beyond repair.

**FARM WOMEN NO. 18 WILL AID CHARITIES**

Society of Farm Women No. 18 voted contributions of \$5 each to the Infantile Paralysis Drive and the Tuberculosis Society at a meeting Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Martin Swarr, Landisville.

Mrs. John Herr, Mt. Joy, spoke on Christmas decorations and gave a demonstration of the making of boxwood trees, wreaths, mistletoe rings and other attractive pieces.

Mrs. Mark Hess presided and devotions were conducted by Mrs. Robert Good. Members contributed food for three Christmas baskets for needy families. Gifts were exchanged.

**HOUSING PROJECT AT DEPOT IS APPROVED**

Approval of a housing project for construction of 40 rental homes for Marietta Transportation Corps Depot employes was announced at Washington.

The project is to be privately financed, and will be built under the National Housing Act.

A Depot spokesman said the dwellings will be single homes, to be built on the Transportation Corps property.

**BIRTHDAY DINNER**

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hinkle, West Main Street, entertained at a birthday dinner on Sunday in honor of the latter's sister, Mae Forry.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Harnish of Lancaster, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Loucks and children of Marietta and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Overdeer and daughter, Barbara Ann of Middletown.

**Union Nat'l Bank Holds Xmas Party**

Directors, employees and guests of the Union National Mount Joy Bank held their annual Christmas party, Wednesday evening, December 20, at Hestetter's Banquet Hall. Approximately thirty persons attended. Mr. Norman Sprecher, Assistant Cashier, acted as host. All the ladies were presented with corsages and the men were given rose bud boutonnières.

The President of the Bank, Mr. Martin S. Musser, gave a pre-dinner address on Christian Leadership.

Entertainment after the dinner was provided by Mr. Lineus Longenecker, Bank Teller, who showed colored slides of his recent trip through the United States. Carols were sung by the group.

**COMMUNITY TREE LIGHTED**

A huge, beautiful community Christmas Tree, fifty feet high, was lighted here Tuesday evening, for the holiday season.

Centrally located opposite the theatre on the triangle of the Bowman residence, corner of East Main and Marietta Streets, it is a beautiful symbol of Christmastime.

The Chamber of Commerce invites everyone to see the tree.

**WOMAN TRIES SUICIDE**

Mrs. Norman Shelly, forty-five, Manheim, under treatment for a nervous condition, slashed her throat and windpipe with a butcher knife. She is now at the General Hospital.

## Florin E. U. B. Sunday School To Present Program

The Christmas program at the Glosbrenner E.U.B. Church will be presented at 9:30 Sunday morning. You are cordially invited to attend the program. Song, Congregation; Scripture Reading and Prayer, Rev. John Gable; exercise, Our Welcome; A Small Girl's Wish, Sandra Crowl; Recitation, Very Short, Ronald Hockenberry; Exercises: Christmas Lights, Our Gifts and The Babe of the Manger; Dialogue, The Time of Joy; Exercise, Gifts; Christmas Stars; Recitation, The Manger Message, Brenda Pierce; Give to Others, Eugene Mataer; Exercise, The Lament of the Bethlehem Inn Keeper; Song, by the Girls and Boys; Christmas

**THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE**

The combined choruses of the East Donegal Township schools rendered the sixteenth annual Christmas Carol service last evening. An excellent program as published in these columns last week, was well presented to a large and appreciative audience.

**LOCAL PHYSICIAN CALLED**

One of our local physicians, Dr. David Schlosser, 304 East Main St., was notified to come to Harrisburg for a pre-induction physical examination.

In addition to his practice, Dr. Schlosser is deputy coroner and a member of the local school board.

**33RD ANNIVERSARY**

Mr. and Mrs. Emlin Buller, 103 East Donegal Street, are celebrating their forty-third wedding anniversary today, Thursday Dec. 21st.

**A ROUGH CHRISTMAS**

Our local weather prognosticator Samuel H. Miller predicts a disagreeable Christmas Day with rain or snow.

**MARRIAGE LICENSES**

Norman Harold Kolp, Florin, and Arlene S. Seifert, Elizabethtown.

**AMERICAN**

**CHRISTMAS**

**TO EVERY ONE**

**+**

**The Bulletin Staff**